

MEMORANDUM

To: Joint Fiscal Committee Members

From: Nathan Lavery, Fiscal Analyst

Date: July 16, 2014

Subject: Small Grant & Gift Quarterly Report

In accordance with the provisions of 32 V.S.A. § 5(a)(3), the Joint Fiscal Office is required to submit quarterly reports for small grant and gift requests with a value of \$5,000 or less.* For the quarter ending December 31, 2013, the Joint Fiscal Office received notification of the following items:

- \$2,500 grant from Farm Credit East's Northeast Ag Enhancement program to the Vermont Agency of Agriculture. This funding will support the Green Mountain Dairy Discussion Group's work to provide dairy producers support through monthly discussion group meetings. [JFO received 10/14/13]
- 2. \$100 donation from Vermont Country Soap Company to the Vermont Agency of Agriculture. This funding will support the purchase of a new stove and refrigerator in the vendor lounge area. [JFO received 10/14/13]
- 3. \$2,500 grant from Vermont Sustainable Jobs Fund to the Vermont Agency of Agriculture. This funding will offset the cost of Agency staff service as Chair of the Farm to Plate Technical Assistance Working Group.

[JFO received 10/23/13]

4. \$5,000 grant from Vermont Sustainable Jobs Fund to the Vermont Agency of Agriculture. This funding will offset the cost of Agency staff service as Chair of the Farm to Plate Technical Assistance Working Group.

[JFO received 10/23/13]

5. \$200 donation from Vermont Maple Sugar Makers Association to the Vermont Agency of Agriculture. This funding will support the purchase of a new stove and refrigerator in the vendor lounge area.

[JFO received 11/15/13]

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^{*} Act 146 of the Acts of 2009 Adj. Session (2010), Sec. B.15 amended 32 V.S.A. § 5(a)(3) to permit the Department of Forests, Parks and recreation to accept grants with a value of up to \$15,000 under the "small grants" procedure. This change was part of the "Challenges for Change" initiative.